

March 29, 1969

Dear Conny:

I am most grateful to you for sending me the impressive compilation of press clippings on the President's visit. I have looked at it with the greatest interest and called it to the President's attention.

The President was greatly impressed and moved by the warm reception he received in Bonn and Berlin, and was especially gratified by his detailed substantive conversations with the Chancellor.

I very much hope our paths will soon cross again. I am sorry that, inevitably, our encounters in Bonn had to be a bit hurried.

Kindest regards,

/s/

Henry A. Kissinger

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Honorable Melvin R. Laird
 Secretary of Defense

SUBJECT: Reports of Trip to South Vietnam

The President has reviewed both your and General Wheeler's reports resulting from your recent trip to South Vietnam. The reports were extremely valuable in preparing the President for the National Security Council meeting on March 28th, and will be retained here for further use in relation to ongoing planning associated with Vietnam.

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Henry A. Kissinger

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Dear Stanley:

I very much appreciate your sending me an advance copy of your forthcoming New Republic piece on France. I think it probably would be best for me not to try and comment in writing on a manuscript such as the one you sent. I hope you will understand.

I don't see much chance of my getting up there anytime soon; but let me know when you plan to be here next.

Best regards,

Henry A. Kissinger

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Dear Frank:

Thank you for bringing to my attention the lack of forewarning to USIA on the ABM announcement.

My staff has been instructed to make sure there are no slip-ups like this one again. Your people will be briefed well in advance on any future major announcements.

Warm regards,


Henry A. Kissinger

The Honorable Frank Shakespeare, Jr.
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger
SUBJECT: Presidential Reading

Several weeks ago, you mentioned to me the desirability of having the NSC Staff recommend selected publications for your reading.

Attached is the result of this effort which will be furnished to you each Friday hereafter.

Attachment

Looseleaf notebook, entitled "Presidential Reading" (Uncl)